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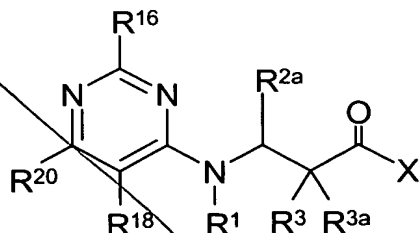
Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 18, 2002 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (Paper No. 10). A petition for a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is being submitted herewith. Accordingly, the present Reply and Amendment is being submitted on or before the current due date of January 18, 2003. In response to this Office Action, reconsideration is requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1 - 26. Please add new Claims 27 to 52.

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